

CITY HALL
EVANSDALE, IOWA, JUNE 29, 2016
CITY COUNCIL
DOUG FAAS, MAYOR, PRESIDING

The City Council of the City of Evansdale, Iowa met in special session, according to law, the rules of said Council and prior notice given each member thereof, in the Council Chambers of City Hall of Evansdale, Iowa at 8:00 a.m. on the above date. Council members present in order of roll call: Loftus, Walker, Nichols, Seible, and Dewater. Quorum present.

Seible/Dewater to approve the June 29, 2016 agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

Loftus/Walker to approve the following items on the June 8, 2016 consent agenda. a) Approval of June 21, 2016 regular meeting minutes and May 31, 2016 special meeting minutes.

Dewater/Seible to approve Resolution 5969 authorizing payment of bills and transfers. Roll call vote: Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

Dewater/Seible to approve Resolution 5970 approving the cancellation of debt made my interfund loan agreements within the City of Evansdale. Mayor Faas explained the recommendation by Speer Financial and the State Auditors to resolve interfund transfers that dated back to 1985. Roll call vote: Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

Loftus/Walker to approve request from Brian Wirtz, Building Inspector, to participate in the Storm Water Management Educational Program as part of the Cedar Valley Watershed Project in an amount not to exceed \$411.88 for FY17. Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

Dewater/Walker to approve request from Anfinson property owner (Deanne Leistikow) to extend Fran St. development agreement for one or two lots if planned and permitted before the July 28th, 2016 expiration date with the provision that project is started within 60 days. Mayor Faas explained that the development was certified back in 2006 in the Home Acres TIF. Councilman Walker questioned if the home buyer would also be eligible for an abatement of property tax. Mayor Faas responded that he would explain to Leistikow attorney that the home buyers are not eligible for the abatement. Walker also stated that he wasn't in favor of an extension. Councilman Dewater stated that several years have passed with no development, but he would be in favor of an extension of the two lots only, but wanted a provision that they would make progress on the project within 60 days. Roll call vote: Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

Discussion only: Wording and language change on Chapter 66 of Evansdale Code (Load and Weight Restrictions). Mayor Faas explained that we are in the process of codification and would like a couple areas discussed with council. One chapter that he would like to modify in the current code is chapter 136.03 Removal of Snow, Ice, and Accumulations. Currently it reads "if a property owner does not remove snow, ice, or accumulations within a reasonable time, the City may do so and asses the costs against the property owner." Faas would like to amend to read "after 48 hours", instead of "reasonable time." Councilman Loftus stated that he liked the reasonable time. Faas stated that the property owner considers reasonable time differently than the city. Councilman Nichols recommended 48 hours after the snow event. Faas also discussed amending Chapter 66 Load and Weight restrictions and wanted the council to view the examples given to enable the city to issue violations based on weight restrictions. He also discussed changing the truck routes within the city. Council gave feedback and Faas asked that consideration for amendment to the code be reviewed.

Dewater/Seible to approve request from City Clerk to sign an annual agreement in the amount of \$6,600 for IT services with Computer Troubleshooters as budgeted for FY17. Roll call vote: Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

Walker/Loftus to approve request from City Clerk to purchase the initial needed computer equipment to combine all departments to the City Hall server in the amount of \$3,412.99 with Computer Troubleshooters for FY17. Roll call vote: Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

Mayor/Council Reports: Mayor Faas discussed River Forest Road reconstruction project and past attorney fees. Brian Wirtz, Building Inspector, discussed an issue with a tree at 620 Brookside.

There being no further discussion, Loftus/Nichols to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 a.m. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

Doug Faas, Mayor

DeAnne Kobliska, City Clerk